June 29, 2020

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker of the House of Representatives

The Honorable James P. McGovern Chairman, House Committee on Rules

United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

RE: Support the Clean Energy and Sustainability Accelerator Amendment to the Moving Forward Act, Amendment #252

Dear Speaker Pelosi and Chairman McGovern:

We write at this time to urge your support for the Clean Energy and Sustainability Accelerator amendment—originally introduced as the National Climate Bank Act--offered by Representative Debbie Dingell to the Moving Forward Act as Amendment #252. This legislation has received the <u>endorsement</u> of nearly one hundred organizations, is <u>supported</u> by 70% of voters polled, and fully funded could <u>create</u> as many as 5.4 million clean energy jobs.

At this time of economic crisis, this bill would provide crucial seed investment to build clean energy infrastructure that will put millions back to work, strengthen communities, reduce pollution, improve public health, lower energy costs, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This financing tool would pair each public dollar with multiple private ones to build a range of clean energy projects, including renewable power, building efficiency, grid infrastructure like transmission, industrial decarbonization, clean transportation, reforestation and climate-resilient infrastructure.

This bill builds on the green bank model that has been proven at the <u>state and local level</u> in the U.S. There are already successful green banks in states like Michigan, Florida, Connecticut and Hawaii, and new ones in place in Colorado, Ohio, and Nevada. These green banks and others would directly benefit from this legislation as funds can be passed through to state and local entities and projects.

Since 20% of these funds are set aside for frontline, low income and climate impacted communities, this bill would extend benefits to hardest hit communities that have often been left behind in the investment world.

We thus urge your support for this amendment. Thank you for the consideration.

Sincerely,

Environmental Non-Profit Organizations
Appalachian Voices
Chesapeake Climate Action Network

The Climate Reality Project Energy Efficiency Alliance of New Jersey Environmental Defense Fund Fresh Energy

League of Conservation Voters

Maryland League of Conservation Voters

Natural Resources Defense Council

New Jersey League of Conservation Voters

Sierra Club

Union of Concerned Scientists

Vote Solar

Trade and Industry Associations

Advanced Energy Management Alliance

American Green Bank Consortium Americans for a Clean Energy Grid Coalition for Community Solar Access

Coalition for Green Capital Energy Storage Association

Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Energy Association

Keystone Energy Efficiency Alliance

Maryland Building Performance Association

Michigan Energy Efficiency Contractors Association

North Carolina Sustainable Energy Association

Northeast Clean Energy Council Renewable Energy Alaska Silicon Valley Leadership Group Solar Energy Industries Association Southern Renewable Energy Association

Financial Institutions and Funds

Atmos Bank

Climate Access Fund

Colorado Clean Energy Fund

Community Office for Resource Efficiency (CORE)

Connecticut Green Bank

DC Green Bank

Delaware Sustainable Energy Utility

Energy Resource Center, Colorado

Energy Outreach Colorado

Florida Solar Energy Loan Fund

Generate Capital
Greenworks Lending

Hawai'i Green Infrastructure Authority

Inclusive Property Capital
Maryland Clean Energy Center

Michigan Saves

Montgomery County Green Bank Neighborhood Sun Benefit Corporation

New York City Energy Efficiency Corporation

Park City Community Foundation

Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank

Spark Northwest

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